

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION
BUREAU OF ENTOMOLOGY AND PLANT QUARANTINE

JAPANESE BEETLE QUARANTINE REGULATIONS MODIFIED

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine by the second proviso of the Japanese beetle quarantine (7 CFR, 1947 Supp., § 301.48), the administrative instructions exempting certain articles from certification (7 CFR, 1946 Supp., § 301.48d; B. E. P. Q. 533, Rev.), are hereby further revised to read as follows:

§ 301.48d Administrative instructions; articles exempt from certification. The following articles, the interstate movement of which is not considered to constitute a risk of Japanese beetle dissemination, are hereby exempted from the requirements of the regulations of the quarantine.

Soil, Humus, Compost, and Decomposed Manure: Under this classification, the following articles are hereby exempted:

Gravel, sand, greensand marl, and clay originating from pits, mines, or deposits.

Humus, compost, and decomposed manure when dehydrated, ground, pulverized, or compressed.

Nursery stock: Under this classification, the following articles are hereby exempted:

Tree bulbs, corms, and tubers, when dormant, except for storage growth, and when free from soil.

Single dahlia tubers or small dahlia root-divisions when free from stems, cavities, and soil. (Dahlia tubers, other than single tubers or small root-divisions meeting these conditions, require certification.)

Plants when growing exclusively in Osmunda fiber.

Trailing arbutus or Mayflower (Epigaea repens), when free from soil.

Moss and clubmoss, ground-pine or running-pine, when free from soil.

Soil-free aquatic plants.

Soil-free sweetpotato draws.

Soil-free plant cuttings without roots.

Soil-free rooted cuttings, which, at the time of shipment, have not developed a root system sufficient to conceal larvae of the Japanese beetle.

Cut flowers: Under this classification, cut orchids are hereby exempted.

This revision supersedes B. E. P. Q. 533, Revised, effective March 1, 1945 (7 CFR, 1945 Supp., § 301.48d).



These instructions shall be effective April 30, 1948, and shall thereafter remain in effect until further modified or revoked.

Since these administrative instructions relieve restrictions, they are within the exception in section 4 (c) of the Administrative Procedure Act and may properly be made effective less than 30 days after their publication in the Federal Register.

(Secs. 1, 3, 33 Stat. 1269, 1270, sec. 8, 37 Stat. 318, as amended; 7 U. S. C. 141, 143, 161)

Done at Washington, D. C., this 23rd day of March 1948.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Avery S. Hoyt".

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